

Comments

The claims amendments have been made to bring the application into condition for allowance in response to the OA.

Claims 98-101 are allowed, and have not been changed.

Claims 92 and 103 were rejected. Claims 93-97 and claim 103 were objected to, being dependent from a rejected claims but otherwise allowable. In response claims 92 and 103 were canceled. Claim 93 was rewritten into independent form, making explicit what was implicit by including all the limitations found in its former parent, claim 92, as well as still including all the limitations found in the allowed claim 93. Claims 94-97 now depend from an allowable claim, claim 93. Claim 103 was rewritten in independent form to include all the limitations found in its canceled parent claim 102, as well as still including all the limitations found in the allowed claim 103.

Conclusion

Applicant believes this response is fully responsive to the OA. The OA, in section 3, states that “claims 93-97, 103 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the double patenting rejection, set forth in this Office action.” Applicant read

this as a typographical error, as there is no double patenting rejection in the present application. Applicant reads the office action as intending to refer to the fact the listed claims (93-97 and 103) would be allowable if they did not depend from rejected parent claims, that reading being consistent with the Office Action Summary and the rejections on page 2. Applicant amended the claims in a manner consistent with the Office Action Summary page. Applicant respectfully submits that all of the presently pending claims are in therefore in condition for allowance, and requests consideration for same. If Applicant misunderstood the OA, Applicant respectfully asks that the Examiner call Applicant's representative below to discuss options.

Respectfully submitted,

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